MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): May I know whether the Quarterly Civil List gives any information regarding the castes or communities of officers?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Hon'ble member can more or less know from the names the caste or community to which the officers belong.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Does the Civil List give the communities of the officers?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Then why am I directed to refer to that?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is possible for the member to infer from the name what community an officer belongs to. But if he wants this information to be given by Government, I have to claim notice.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): Are the Government aware that these names are more often than not misleading?

Appointments on Rs. 300 and above.

167. ✻**MR. K. SANKARAN** (*Kartikapalli I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of appointments having a pay of Rs. 300 and above:

(*b*) the number of such appointments held by Christians

(*c*) the number of such appointments held by Nairs;

(*d*) the number of such appointments held by Ezhavas: and

(*e*) the number of such appointments held by Brahmins?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) to (*e*). The member is referred to the Quarterly Civil List published by Government.

Building of Churches.

168. ✻**MR. N. E. VARUGHESE** (*Tiruvalla I*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) the number of applications, received by the Government for permission to build churches, by the several ecclesiastical heads from 1100 till the end of Medam 1110;

(*b*) the number for which permission was granted;

(*c*) the number of applications refused; and

(*d*) the chief reasons for the refusals?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 709.

(*b*) 459.

(*c*) 240.

(*d*) Want of proprietory right over the site, mistake in survey numbers, objection from the people of the locality including members of the Christian community and proximity to existing places of public worship.

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MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know from the member whether a *Kanamdar Pattadar* has got any proprietory right over the site where the church is proposed to be built?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): I rise to a point of order. Can a member ask for legal opinion?

PRESIDENT: Certainly not.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): May I know from the member the nature of the objections that are generally given when an application is made for building a church?

PRESIDENT: The reply is all in the answer to part (*d*).

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): It is given in general.

PRESIDENT: All the 709 applications are not before the House and they are not going to be read.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): In the answer to part (*d*), one objection is stated to be proximity to existing places of public worship. May I know the exact distance which invalidates a petition?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It depends upon each case.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether the distance is not mentioned in the Royal Proclamation—about three miles?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not think so.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): Are these applications only for building churches or for also cemeteries?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Some of them are for churches only and some for cemeteries also.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): May I know from the member how many churches have been constructed out of the 459 applications granted?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon II*): Do not Government keep themselves informed of the number of churches erected or does the work of Government cease with the granting of applications?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government have not collected this information.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): In how many cases have members of the Christian community objected to the erection of Churches?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot give the exact figure now. I know that there have been cases.

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